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Attachments: MI Letter to Dr Cogliano on New Methanol Ramazzini Data.pdf; Report on NTP PWG.pdf

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Vince - MI has been pretty good in the past not to send these letters immediately to the trade press, or Congressional staff, but I suspect this will end up there soon. Since they sent the letter to you, I suggest sending this to John Bucher and Becki/Darrell/Lynn/Audrey asap so they're not blindsided and can inform Kevin et al.

I think we need to get the decision/press info Audrey sent around earlier today released asap; to get our views out right

Let me know if I can help with anything.

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Subject: Methanol Institute Letter and Report on New Data on Ramazzini Methanol Study

Dear Dr. Cogliano:

Congratulations on your new assignment. As you are undoubtedly aware, in June 2010, EPA placed the methanol IRIS assessment – and three others – on hold, pending resolution of major discrepancies identified in a NTP report between the published results of the Ramazzini Foundation study on methanol and a pathology review of the actual slides by NTP scientists. Through a FOIA request to NTP/NIEHS, the Methanol Institute received the data sheets from that review, finding that the NTP's report did not contain many of the essential quantitative details of the review. As you will see in the attached letter and report, our review of the data finds that the NTP pathologists disagreed with Ramazzini pathologist on most lymphomas and ear cancers, and the NTP analysis shows that the Ramazzini methanol study does not support a conclusion of cancers from methanol exposure.

As indicated in our letter here, we would like to meet with you and your staff to discuss this new information and the implications for any further use of Ramazzini data for risk assessment purposes, or additional pathology reviews. We will be in touch with your office shortly to seek a mutually satisfactory time.

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